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C O N F I D E N T I A L BUENOS AIRES 8401

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINT, ASEC, AR

SUBJECT: BALBIN HOME ATTACKED BY UNKNOWN GUNMEN

1. DURING EARLY MORNING DEC 26 APPROXIMATELY 6 TERRORISTS IN TWO VEHICLES MACHINEGUNNED AND FIREBOMBED THE HOME OF UCR LEADER RICARDO BALBIN IN LA PLATA. THERE WERE NO INJURIES BUT SOME PHYSICAL DAMAGE TO THE HOUSE. THE ATTACKERS ESCAPED.

2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH THE AFFILIATION OF THE ATTACKERS IS UNKNOWN, THERE IS SPECULATION THAT THE ATTACK WAS PERPETRATED BY LORENZO MIGUEL LOYALISTS AS PROOF OF "UNCONTROLLED VIOLENCE" IN BA PROVINCE, WHICH LORENZO MIGUEL WISHES TO SEE INTERVENED. ANOTHER REASON TO BELIEVE THE ATTACK WAS AUTHORED BY LORENZO MIGUEL'S PEOPLE IS THAT BALBIN HAD RECENTLY COME OUT VERY STRONGLY AGAINST THE INTERVENTION OF THE PROVINCE. THE ATTACK MAY HAVE BEEN LORENZO MIGUEL'S WAY OF WARNING BALBIN TO KEEP QUIET. BALBIN HIMSELF PUBLICLY COMMENTED THAT HE FELT THAT THE ATTACK WAS UNRELATED TO HIS STRONG OBJECTIONS TO FEDERAL INTERVENTION OF THE PROVINCE. PRIVATELY, HOWEVER, HE HAS TOLD HIS LIEUTENANTS THAT HE BELIEVES IT WAS THE WORK OF LORENZO MIGUEL.

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